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REMARKS

This response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is being submitted in response to a paper mailed 2/5/2004. A response is due on or before 3/5/2004. This response is being filed on February 18, 2004, accordingly this response is timely filed. Applicants respectfully request the amendment and response submitted herewith be made of record in the present application.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (a copy is attached) states that cancelled claims should not include the text. Accordingly, applicants have resubmitted the section of claims, and the text of cancelled claim 14 has been deleted.

Conclusion

All fees believed due have been submitted. If Applicant is wrong in this assumption, the PTO is authorized to charge any deficiency to Applicant's account number 120690. The PTO is not authorized to charge the issue fee to this account.

Respectfully Submitted,

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